

FLORENCE TOWNSHIP

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-03

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
FLORENCE, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW
JERSEY, APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE
AMOUNT OF \$800,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING
THE ISSUANCE OF \$783,750 BONDS OR NOTES OF
TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, IN THE COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Florence, in the County of Burlington, New Jersey (the "Township") as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$800,000, including (i) \$150,000 expected to be received as a State of New Jersey Department of Transportation ("NJDOT") Pedestrian Improvement Grant (the "State Pedestrian Improvement Grant"), (ii) \$203,000 expected to be received as a NJDOT Bikeway Grant (Phase II) (the "State Bikeway Grant" and, together with the State Pedestrian Improvement Grant, the "State Grants"), (iii) \$250,000 expected to be received as a Burlington County Parks Grant (the "Burlington County Grant" and, together with the State Grants, the "Grants"), and (iv) the sum of \$16,250 as the down payment for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof required by the Local Bond Law. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c), no down payment is provided for the costs of the improvements described in Section 3(b) and Section 3(c) hereof since the projects are being partially funded

by the State Grants. The down payment has been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the down payment and in anticipation of receipt of the Grants referred to in Section 1 hereof, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$783,750 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation and Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) <u>Improvements to Various Parks:</u> Improvements to various parks, consisting of the rehabilitation of tennis courts and the installation of lighting at H. Kenneth Wilkie Rivers Edge Park, the reconstruction of the baseball field, the creation of a picnic grove, the installation of fencing and the planting of trees at Nykita Park, the expansion of the public walking trails and the planting of trees at Veterans Park, the expansion of public walking trails at Waterworks Park and the installation of additional parking spaces at Clark T. Carey Memorial Park, including all work and materials necessary therefore and incidental thereto.	\$325,000	\$308,750	10 years

<u>Purpose</u>	Appropriation and Estimated <u>Cost</u> (includes the Burlington County Grant)	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or <u>Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
b) <u>Improvements to Various Sidewalks:</u> Improvements to various sidewalks, consisting of the installation and replacement of deteriorated sidewalks on East Third Street, Grove Street, Kinsman Road and Hornberger Avenue, including the installation of handicapped ramps where needed, and further including all work and materials necessary therefore and incidental thereto.	\$268,000 (includes the State Pedestrian Improvement Grant)	\$268,000	10 years
c) <u>Installation of Public Bikeways:</u> Installation of public bikeways on Old York Road, Bustleton Road and Cedar Lane, including all work and materials necessary therefore and incidental thereto.	\$207,000 (includes the State Bikeway Grant)	\$207,000	10 years
TOTAL:	<u>\$800,000</u>	<u>\$783,750</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than

one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements that the Township may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 10 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$783,750, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$197,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated costs indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. Any grant moneys received for the purposes described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 8. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue the bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 8 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”) for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

DENNIS A. O’HARA
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JOY M. WEILER, RMC/MMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

